CHAPTER 15.50

Fire/Rescue Impact Fees

15.50.010 Fire Stations and Apparatus – City Council authority.

The City Council may acquire, accept dedications and gifts of, develop and maintain fire stations and apparatus. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.020 Purpose.

In order to provide or to assist in providing the financing required to acquire, develop and maintain fire stations and apparatus, the fire/rescue impact fees shall be established by the City Council by ordinance to be paid by property owners desiring to develop property with improvements. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.030 Fire/rescue impact fee study.

The City commissioned a study in July, 2002 to update the amounts charged by the Fire/Rescue Impact Fee. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.040 Calculation of fees.

The fees calculated in the 2002 study are directly related to the capital requirements likely to be imposed on the Fire Department in order to serve new growth at service levels consistent with those currently found in the community. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.050 Paid with building permit.

Fire/rescue impact fees shall be due when the building permit fee is paid. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.060 Waiver authorized when.

The City Council may waive the requirement of the fire/rescue impact fees otherwise payable by any property owner who is willing to transfer to the City a parcel of land, if the City Council determines:

- A. That the parcel of land is suitable for fire station location purposes;
- B. That the person otherwise obligated to pay the fire/rescue impact fee is the fee simple owner of the parcel and has marketable title thereto; and
- C. That the market value of the parcel exclusive of all liens and encumbrances is equal to or greater than the total fire/rescue impact fee that otherwise would be payable. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.070 Disposition of funds.

- A. Except as hereinafter provided, all fire department impact fees shall be credited to a separate fund, to be known as the "Fire/Rescue Impact Assessment Fund."
- B. Nothing in this Chapter shall prohibit the City Council from appropriating funds from the general revenues of the City for acquisition, development and maintenance of fire stations and apparatus. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.080 Applicability of new fee amounts.

This fee shall apply to all building permits issued and paid for after the effective date of this ordinance. Any building permit application shall not be considered complete unless and until (1) all of the required information and submittal materials, in the amounts and dimensions required by thiscode, have been submitted to and received by the city department or official specified in this code; and (2) the Planning Division has certified the application as complete. The decision of the Planning Division with respect to completeness and applicability of submittal requirements shall be final. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.090 Eligibility for impact fee credits.

If developers construct or provide any fire/rescue facilities or equipment which would serve new growth within the City's impact fee study area commissioned in July 2002, they may apply to receive an appropriate credit equal to the dollar amount of the facilities or equipment provided, not to exceed the total amount of impact fees they would have been required to pay under the existing fee schedule. (Ord. 168-02)

15.50.100 Fire/Rescue Department Impact Fees.

Effective January 1, 2014, the Fire/Rescue Impact Fees shall be as follows:

Fire/Rescue Department Impact Fees

| Each residential unit other than a motel or hotel. | \$805.00 per dwelling unit |
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| Nonresidential uses, but including a motel or hotel.* | \$0.46 per square foot of each floor level of the building area |

^{*} Exception: any detached accessory structure related to a single-family residential use.

Annually, the fees will be updated to reflect inflation, as reflected in the Engineering News Record *Construction Index*. (Ord. 577-13 §2; Ord. 529-11: 504-10: 477-09: 458-08: 417-07: 389-06: 357-05: 303-04: 245-03: 168-02; Ord. 544-12 §2)

15.50.110 Violation; penalty.

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this chapter is guilty of a violation of this chapter and shall be punished as provided in Section 1.16.010 of this Code. (Ord. 168-02)